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URGENT CALL FOR MORE EFFORTS

Larger Cities Fall Behind in Subscriptions to Third Liberty Bonds.

FIGURES NOT ENCOURAGING

Mrs. McAdoo Joins Secretary in Speaking Tour.

Interest of Catholics in Loan Campaign Shown by Cardinal Gibbons' Proposal.

(International News Service.) Washington, April 18 .- The large cities are falling short in their subscriptions to the third liberty loan, according to the treasury department's statement today. A feeling of disappointment is expressed in the returns generally, though the country districts are credited with having responded much better than in previous campaigns. The remarkable gains made by them in the beginning are not sufficient to offset the lead of the sufficient the sufficient to offset the lead of the sufficient to offset the lead of the sufficient the sufficient to offset the lead of the sufficient to offset the lead of the sufficient the sufficient to offset the sufficient to offset the sufficient to offset the sufficient to the sufficient ficient to offset the lack of sales in the

larger communities.

Treasury officials declared that the daily average as indicated in reports from the twelve federal reserve dis-tricts would not be sufficient to carry the loan to its minimum quota of \$3,000,000,000. The latest official figures at the close of business on April 16, two days ago, are given at \$952,923,-250, though reports of enthusiastic support have continued to arrive from the various committees and latest the continued to arrive from the various committees. various committees and eloan cam-paigns from all parts of the country. The early part of the campaign was characterized by a widespread rush in all districts, and especially in the country communities, where rivalry was keen for the honor flags. The after-math of this flood of subscriptions has "frankly disappointing." treasury report says, and the loan di-rectors are appealing for a renewed effort to restore the rate of speed acquired by the campaign under the im petus of last week's race for full

Jumps to Tenth Place. The Minneapolis district, entering the ace after a deferred start, has jumped to tenth place, with 23 per cent, of its quota subscribed. It has promised to outstrip all districts before the week is over and race the St. Louis district for first place. St. Louis reports the highest percentage of quota subscribed, having increased its lead to 30 per cent. The city of Minneapolls boasts it will reach its quota of \$17,000,000 by Saturday, and many countles through-out the district have declared they will versubscribe 100 per cent.

Big Cities Tardy.

The larger cities are tardy in sub-scribing their quotas. The New York district is at fifth place, with about 33 per cent. of its quota subscribed. Boston is sixth in the list with 32 per cent., and Philadelphia is in ninth place with just 25 per cent. of its allotment re-

ported.

The quotas in the large cities are unponderance of wealth over the country districts. Efforts are being made by the loan directors to have complete reports as to the number of individual subscriptions obtained in each district. This is looked upon as the best method of determining where the bond slackers

'The women's committees in every district are achieving remarkable results, treasury officials report. Sub-scriptions obtained by their efforts have already soared into the millions and their work is winning high praise

OVER \$2,000,000 MEN TO BE CALLED TO THE **COLORS EARY IN JUNE**

Approximately 2,500,000 to Be Under Training by July-Additional Cantonments Being Rushed to Completion-General Pershing Needs Men Immediately.

Washington, D. C., April 18 .- Many thousands of America's young men will be called to the colors early in June. The additional need of troops in France has led the authorities to greatly in-crease the number of men to be drafted, and it is planned to have some 2,500,000 under training by July ist. Additional cantonments are being surriedly constructed, and the War Department is a veritable bee-hive of

stated that many such rejections may be prevented by the timely use of an imilable, purely organic iron, to thus build up the entire system of the fu-

By so doing, he will greatly enrich his blood, create new tissue, increase his appetite, gain weight, stamina and strength and thus improve his condi-tion in general. Modern food and the sedentary hab-

its of the average man have done owing to a lack of the proper con-sumption of iron.

Great care must be used, however, in the use of iron, as the ordinary crude forms of this remedy will darken the teeth, are unassimilable and indi-gestible, and, therefore, do more harm

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from every quarter. Mrs. Wm. G. Mc-Adoo, chairman of the national women's liberty loan committee, has conferred with middle western women's committee and is joining Secretary Mc-Adoo on his speaking tour and has planned a series of women's meetings in towns on the itinerary. Interest of Catholics in the loan cam-

paign is verified in a message received from Cardinal Gibbons, who has proposed large purchase of bonds, to be placed to the credit of the Catholic unitsestit.

HAIG'S DANGER GREAT, FEAR MANY OBSERVERS

Huns on Messines Ridge Appear Menace to British Lines.

(Albert W. Fox in Washington Post of who

April 17.)
Army men here, including general staff officers who have been closely following the day-by-day developments on the British front, regard the latest news as very serious and disquieting, but not yet vital to the fate of the British line extending northward from the slopes of the Messines ridge to the coast of Belgium. The military situation has, however, taken a sudden and decided turn for the worse with respect to Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's force. The chief hope last night rested on the possibility that the surging battle might yet undergo an eleventhhour change and restore the seemingly ost Butish positions.

The Germans, according to reports of the last twenty-four hours, have captured Bailleul, successfully stormed Wytschaete and driven the British from the dominating positions on the Messines ridge. Each German success has been linked with the preceding one. The capture of Bailleul made the as-saults on Wytschaete possible, and the gaining of this highest point on the casterly ridge system helped the Ger-mans in gaining practically entire control of the ridge.

Endangers Railway Center.

The chief advantage to the Germans of these successes is that it paves the way for an assault on the highly important railroad center of Hazebrouck. This railway center has been of prime importance in feeding and supplying the British forces which extend northward toward the channel ports.

It would appear to military men here that the loss of Hazebrouck would automatically make the position of these British troops untenable. It likewise appears evident that if the Germans maintain their positions on the Mes-sines ridge the city of Ypres would soon become prey to the Germans and the falling back of the Britsh line would, in the opinion of strategists here, be merely a question of time. This line has been pivoted on the Messines ridge and loss of these heights deprives the British armies of such an important pivot that Gen. Foch, the commanderin-chief, may be expected to withdraw these British forces, even at great sacrifice.

Chance for Counter-Attacks.

There remains the chance on coun ter-attacks now driving the German from their freshly won positions on the ridge and unless these counterattacks succeed, every day's delay will add to the danger of the British troops to the north. Naturally the Germans would prefer to capture or annihilate these British armies to any further conquest of territory and it is assumed here that Gen. Foch will make the saving of these British forces para-mount to all other considerations. Therefore he may withdraw them as a matter of precaution unless the present strategic positions won by the Germans can be restored.

PLANS MATURING TO ENLARGE CAMP GORDON

Basis for Report to Be Made on Concentration Camp-Tennesseans Visitors.

(Special to The News.) Camp Gordon, Ga., April 18.-Plans for the enlargement of this cantonment,

organization of new units, and an-nouncement of the war department's program for the training and concentration of troops following the transfer of the Eighty-second division here, are expected following the assignment of Maj.-Gen. W. H. Sage to the command of the Camp. Gen. Sage comes here from Camp Shelby, Hattlesburg, Miss. The arrival here of the Seventeenth nfantry brigade, regular army, from Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., gives basis to the report that Camp Gordon is to be made a concentration camp at which depleted units of the regular army will be recruited to war strength from partially trained selectnen sent here from northern training

Brig.-Gen. W. P. Burnham, com-mander of the Eighty-second division, national army, made up of Georgians, Tennesseans and Pennsylvanians, has been promoted to the rank of major-general. It has been reported here for some time that Gen, Burnham would lead this division in France, He is considered one of the most efficient officers in the army and is one of the very few major generals to rise from the ranks.

Among the Tennesseans who were guests at the Y. W. C. A. hostess house Statistics show, that at least eighty per cent of the rejections in both the army and navy are caused by lack of a proper amount of iron in the system, and a high medical authority has stated that many such rejections may Cumberland Furnace; Miss Ferdle Lee Bandy, Nashville; Mrs. J. A. Noell, Greeneville; Mrs. N. S. Cole, Newbern; Mrs. H. S. Page, Mrs. James Grisham, Grandville; Mrs. T. J. Adcock, Charles G. Baker Francische G. Baker, Knoxville,

PRESIDENT OF NEWBERRY COLLEGE HAS RESIGNED

(international News Service.). Newberry, S. C., April 18.—Rev. J. Henry Harms, D. D., for ten years president of the Newberry co.ege, has resigned to accept the pastorate of the church of the Holy Communion (Latheran), of Philadelphia. LIGHTNING PLAYS HAVOC

NEAR FAYETTEVILLE

Favetteville, April 18,-A violent electrical storm passed over, this vi-Tuesday night. The barn of Taylor was struck by lightning, ng the barn and contents, including 100 barnels of corn.

KAPPA SIGMA FUNDS TO BE INVESTED IN LIBERTY BONDS

opecial to The News.) lle, April 18.—Secretary of the Wm. G. McAdoo is an alum-oppa Sigma fraternity at the ty of Tennessee. To show him chapter is solldly behind him therty bond campaign, the \$350 reasury of the chapter will be invested in liberty bonds.

CREEL'S ACTUAL WORDS PRODUCED

Stenographic Version of Much-Mooted Speech Brought

Forward.

(By David Lawrence.)
(Copyright, 1918, by New York Evening Post Co.)
Washington, April 18.—Publication
in these columns yesterday of a statement that "unfortunately no stenographer was on hand" to report the
much-mooted speech of George Creel
brought out today a stenographic version of the same by Rexford Holmes,
who conducts a shorthand agency
here.

here.

The original information concerning the absence of a stenographer was given by Mr. Creel when asked for a stenographic copy of his remarks. He was presumably unaware that any one took his utterances.

The shorthand version in general conveys the impression that was described in yesterday's dispatch, but there is one sentence in it, which taken by itself, and without regard to the context does put the chairman of

the context does put the chairman of the committee on public information in an awkward position, for Mr. Holmes claims Mr. Creel said tuls:

"We had not prepared, and I shall always be proud to my dying day that there was no rush of preparation in this country prior to the day the president went before congress and said, "we are driven to accept a state of war by the aggressions of the German government."

Mr. Holmes himself declines to take any part in the controversy, except to

any part in the controversy, except to say that "Mr. Creel's speech, like certain passages of the holy writ, can be made to prove almost anything that the propagandist at the present time might want to assert as true."

All of which proves that the chair-nan of the committee on public information should not have made the speech at all. Whether congress ever would have enacted preparations for war on a scale to amount to anything in this war without an actual dec-laration of war and bond ssues, therefore, always will be a moot question, of which no doubt much will be heard of which no doubt much will be leard in the congressional elections of 1918 and the presidential contest of 1920. Neither Mr. Creel ncr any one else can settle it now.

WOMEN MAKE DRIVE FOR LIBERTY BONDS

(Special to The News.) Huntsville, Ala., April 18 .- At a pariotic meeting of the chamber of commerce Tuesday night that body was stormed by a number of ladies, headed by the chairman, Mrs. F. W. Webster, of the third liberty loan committee. The gathering was addressed by Mrs. Winston F. Garth, and within a few moments after the speakers had stated he call of the meeting, \$30,350 was The women have done much work various societies and the annual elec-

on this third loan, and they prize very tion of officers will be held at this highly the large amount already raised, time.

but will not for a few days yet give out the real figures. This \$30,350 is in addition to the woman's campaign, but will be turned over to them, as will the Rotary club subscriptions of Monday night, which amount to \$13,350. Clarendon Davis, president of the chamber of commerce, presided, and Drs. F. L. Weir, Cary Gamble, and Lawrence Cooper made stirring short talks.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS DEATH OF COL. SIMMONS

Official Investigation Fails to Clear Up Unfortunate Affair at Camp Gordon.

(Special to The News.)
Camp Gordon, Ga., April 18.—Did
Col. William H. Simmons, commander of the 327th infantry, feel so keenly disappointed over his failure to get a brigadier-generalship that he decided life was not worth living; did some affliction prey upon him until he found it easier to die than to live, or did a cunning assassin secure the colonel's pistol, shoot the distinguished officer and create evidence to indicate a case of suicide? The declination of an investigating board to make public its findings after a probe which continued from the hour the colo. I's Lody was found in his quarters at 3 o'clock Fri-day afternoon until today, leaves these questions unanswered so far as the public is concerned.

A large number of witnesses were ex amined in connection with the death of Col. Simmons, but the nature of their evidence has not been disclosed. Utmost secrecy regarding the unfortunate affair has been observed by mem bers of the investigating board and

others. It is reported that Col. Simmons was disappointed when another colonel of the All-American division was named for a brigadiership. Ill health is also ascribed as a possible motive for sui-

Other reports indicate that an assassin may have fired the fatal shot. Whether a secret investigation is con-

tinuing is not known. Col. Simmons was a native of Sum-merville, S. C., and had served with distinction in a number of United States army campaigns. He was unmarried.

Mrs. Homer Brown, of Dickson; Mrs. J. S. Notgrass, of Pulaski; Mrs. D. D. Elliott, Jackson; Miss Ethel Hartsell, Athens, and Mrs. H. L. Allen, Nash-ville, were among the Tennesseans visiting friends and relatives at Camp Gordon yesterday.

CHATTANOOGA WOMEN INVITED TO ROCKWOOD

Rockwood, April 18.—Mrs. E. C. Wells, president of the Woman's Mis-sionary union, has invited two Chatanooga women, Mrs. F. B. Martin and Mrs. W. E. Love, to address the members at the semi-annual meeting to be held next Tuesday afternoon in the M. E. church, south. Reports from the

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